

A message was received from the senate, by the clerk thereof, returning the bills that were sent from this house for concurrence, of the following titles, viz.

An act concerning certain dealers in lottery tickets, endorsed "will pass with the proposed amendments;" which amendments were read the first time, and with the bill, referred to the committee on lotteries. And,

An act for building a new prison in Calvert county, and for other purposes; endorsed, "will pass." Whereupon it was ordered, that the said bill be engrossed.

And also communicating a bill, that originated in, and passed the senate, entitled, An act to regulate the corporate elections of the city of Baltimore, and the appointment of corporation officers; which was read the first time, and referred to Messrs. Tyson, Stricker and Buchanan.

Mr. Barnes reported a bill, entitled, An act to prevent gaming; which was read the first time; and on motion by Mr. Barnes, the house by a special order, agreed to proceed to the consideration thereof; when, in the progress of the second reading of said bill, on motion by Mr. Barnes, the first blank was filled with "two thousand dollars." Mr. Barnes then moved to fill the second blank with "five hundred dollars." Mr. Brooke moved to fill the second blank with "one thousand dollars," and the question being taken thereon, it was resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. Barnes, the third blank was filled with "four thousand dollars;" the fourth blank was filled with "two thousand dollars;" and the fifth blank was filled with "twelve months, nor less than three months."

Mr. Teackle offered the following as an amendment and an additional section, viz.

"And be it enacted, That nothing herein contained shall operate to abate any prosecution now pending under the laws of this state."

Which was twice read, and the question taken on the adoption thereof. Determined in the negative.

On motion by Mr. Barnes, the question was propounded, Will the house adopt the following amendment as an additional section, to be inserted immediately preceding the last repealing clause of the bill, viz.

"And be it enacted, That all fines imposed under this act, shall be paid, one half to the informer, and the other half to the state."

Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. Teackle, the question was propounded. That the house reconsider its decision on the amendment which he had proposed as above? Determined in the negative.

The question then recurred, and was propounded, Shall the said bill pass? Resolved in the affirmative; and so the bill was passed.

The house then adjourned until to-morrow morning ten o'clock.